

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
FORT PIERCE DIVISION

Case Number: 24-CR-14049-MARTINEZ/MAYNARD

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

ERIC VON FERGUSON,

Defendant.

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**ORDER ADOPTING MAGISTRATE'S
REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION ON CHANGE OF PLEA**

THIS CAUSE came before the Court upon the Order of Reference from the District Court to conduct a Change of Plea Hearing before a Magistrate Judge.

THE MATTER was heard in front of Magistrate Judge Shaniek Mills Maynard on May 9, 2025 [ECF No. 20]. A Report and Recommendation was filed on May 13, 2025, recommending that the Defendant's plea of guilty be accepted [ECF No. 25]. The Defendant and the Government were afforded the opportunity to file objections to the Report and Recommendation, however none were filed. The Court has conducted a de novo review of the entire file and after careful consideration, the Court affirms and adopts the Report and Recommendation. Accordingly, it is hereby:

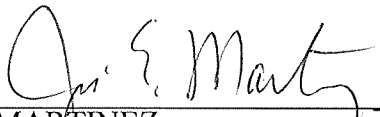
ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Report and Recommendation [ECF No. 25] of United States Magistrate Judge Shaniek Mills Maynard, is hereby **AFFIRMED** and **ADOPTED** in its entirety.

The Defendant is adjudged guilty of Counts One and Two of the Indictment. Count One charges the Defendant with Possession of a Firearm and Ammunition by a Convicted Felon, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1). Count Two charges the Defendant with Possession with Intent to Distribute a Controlled Substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1). The Defendant acknowledged that he understood the statutory

penalties that apply in his case.

Sentencing has been set in this matter for **Thursday, July 24, 2025, at 11:00 a.m.**, before the Honorable District Judge Jose E. Martinez, at the Wilkie D. Ferguson Jr. United States Courthouse, 400 North Miami Avenue. Courtroom 10-1, Miami, Florida 33128.

DONE AND ORDERED at Chambers in Miami, Florida, this 28 day of May, 2025.



JOSE E. MARTINEZ
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

cc: U.S. Magistrate Judge Shaniek Mills Maynard
All Counsel of Record
U.S. Probation Office